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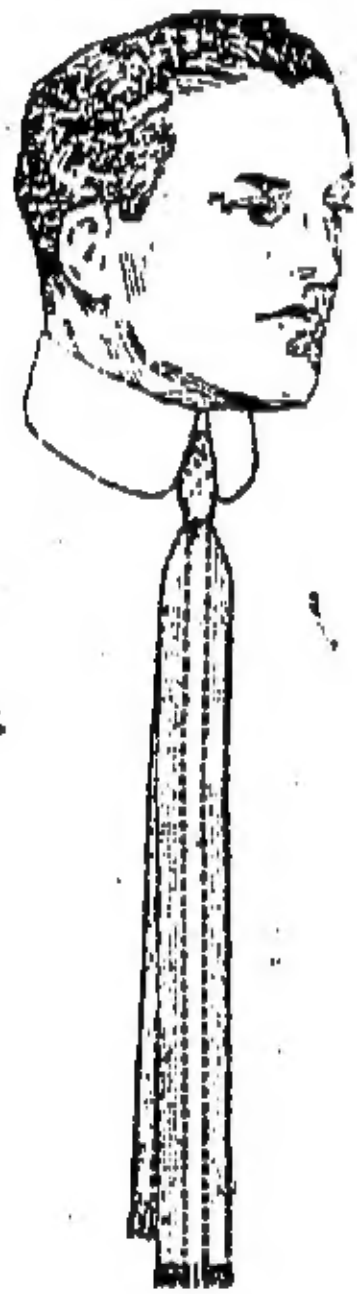
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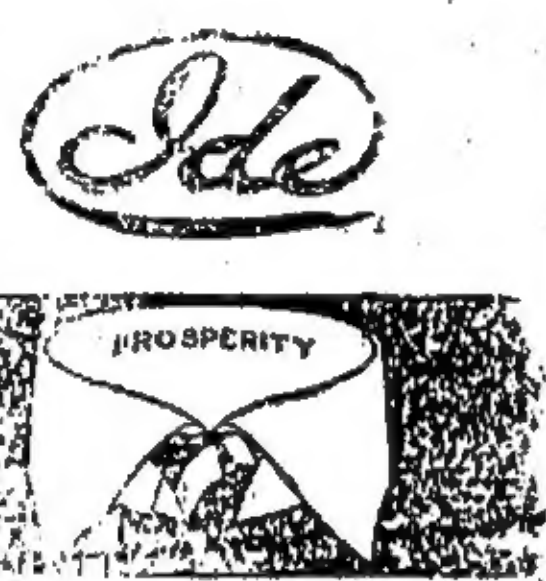
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THE PRINCE'S TOUR.

CALCUTTA'S WARM RECEPTION.

H.R.H. AT THE RACES.

CALCUTTA, December 24.

Calcutta has handsomely falsified the predictions that she would give the Prince of Wales cold reception when he arrived on Saturday morning. A *hartal* indeed kept the shops shut but as everyone goes to the races this would have happened in any case. All the way from the Howrah station the shady side of the route to Government House was packed with cheering crowds. The housewife alone carried the population of a good-sized town. It is true that in Clive Street some handfuls of Bengalis in Gandhi's caps shouted "Gandhi ki jai" but they were swamped by the louder bursts of cheering. Calcutta may claim to have attained her avowed ambition to beat Bombay in spectacular splendour. The city was decorated with gorgeous prodigality whilst the illuminations were really superb.

The Prince received a municipal welcome in a pavilion overlooking the beautiful lake in Dalhousie square, replying with a eulogy of the great city. A reception of Bengal ruling princes and high officials at Government House completed the first day's formal programme. After lunching with the stewards of the Royal Calcutta Turf Club the Prince of Wales attended the opening of the races. The famous course which, with the possible exception of Sydney, is the finest in the world was densely crowded, the Prince receiving a thunderous acclamation on his appearance in the royal box. There was a regular furore when he presented the Prince of Wales Cup to the winner of the principal event. The Maharaja Bharatpur having intimated that he had christened his third son, born on the eve of the Prince of Wales's visit to that place "Edward Singh" the Prince has sent a gold brooch bearing his own crest with a request that the child wear it on his first turban.

PRINCE SPENDS QUIET CHRISTMAS.

CALCUTTA, December 25.

The Prince of Wales spent Christmas Day pretty quietly attending the morning service at St. Paul's Cathedral. The organ refused to function until a harmonium had been procured when it suddenly responded thunderously despite the performer's efforts to stop. The Prince visited the "Southampton," the longest vessel ever brought up the Hooghly going around the mess decks with Admiral Sir Clinton Baker. He attended a quiet Christmas Dinner party at Government House.

ROYAL PROGRESS A CONTINUED SUCCESS.

LONDON, December 25.

The Prince of Wales's progress in India continues to be a success despite agitators' attempts to boycott. A *hartal* at Patna broke down and big crowds very heartily cheered the Prince. The Prince of Wales had an enthusiastic reception to Calcutta. The decorations were very beautiful and the cheering was continuous but the majority of Indians abstained from attending owing to a complete *hartal* in the Northern portion of the city.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE.

DISCUSSED IN FRENCH CHAMBER.

BRIAND TO INTRODUCE A BILL.

PARIS, December 23.

The matter of the Banque Industrielle de Chine comes up before the Chamber on Saturday.

BOXER INDEMNITY TO BE APPROPRIATED.

PARIS, December 25.

Interpellations submitted on the subject of the suspension of the payment by the Banque Industrielle de Chine were replied to by M. Briand who announced the immediate introduction of a Bill in regard to the matter. M. Briand reminded the house of the Government's efforts to restore the bank's position and said that in past days the Chinese government "adhered to a combination based on the Boxer indemnity." One interpellator pressed for the payment of all the bank's depositors.

Replying to further interpellations Mr. Briand said that the Banque de France immediately went to the aid of the Banque Industrielle de Chine last year when it was necessary as it was recognised that France's interests were very directly concerned. The Finance Minister had decided to support the Banque de France in the formation of a consortium to save the Banque Industrielle and 120,000,000 francs were received. The Premier declared that the guilty parties in the administration of the bank would be mercilessly dealt with by law. He defended M. Philippe Berthelot of the Foreign Affairs ministry whose action in connection with the crisis in the bank's affairs was criticised. The Bill which the Premier foreshadowed will provide for the appropriation of part of the Boxer indemnity in order to strengthen the Banque Industrielle.

HARDING RELEASES MILITARY PRISONERS

WASHINGTON, December 23.

In addition to Eugene Dels, the socialist whose release has already been announced, President Harding has ordered the release of 23 persons convicted of military crimes including Gustave Jacobson, who attempted to organize from Chicago a military enterprise in India during war time.

THE SUBMARINE QUESTION.

NAVAL COMMITTEE DISCUSSION.

NEW CONFERENCE PROBABLE.

WASHINGTON, December 23.

Though a formal request is not preferred the French delegation has suggested to the naval committee that any important naval power should be allowed a minimum submarine tonnage of 90,000.

WASHINGTON, December 24.

Yesterday's debate in the Naval Committee on the subject of submarines lasted for three hours Mr. Balfour, Admiral Dehon and Signor Schanzer participating. Mr. Balfour extended Lord Lee's total abolition argument. While admitting that British Empire had no hope of getting any important support for abolition at this conference he earnestly trusted that their debates would go beyond the limits of the conference. He supported Signor Schanzer's contention that small states might through submarines become formidable aggressors instancing the case of Italy's five maritime neighbours.

FRANCE WANTS 90,000 MINIMUM.

An official communique issued after the debate says that no action was taken although Admiral Dehon declared that if the conference limited submarines then 90,000 tons was the absolute minimum. It is expected that the British argument regarding submarines will be further developed by a private committee and that the remainder of the British case will be presented by Lord Lee at a public session next week. The opinion held that whatever decision is reached a new conference will be called to further discuss the question.

PROS AND CONS.

LATER.

The submarine debate in the naval committee showed there were breakers ahead of the conference not in regard to the Pacific but in regard to European waters. Signor Schanzer who followed Mr. Balfour suggested a wider conference before action for abolition was undertaken. Admiral Dehon depicted the possibility of huge airships in the future capable of attacks by land and sea, spreading gas and paralysing large ships and possibly squadrons. He suggested the submarine might become anti-aircraft defence in view of its submerging capability. He said the French delegation was also convinced that the idea of large submarines could not be dismissed. Mr. Balfour replying to Admiral Dehon's arguments regarding submarines for defensive use, emphatically denied that the immunity of attack enjoyed by the German coast in the war was due to submarines. He cited the bombardment of Zebrugges, when full of submarines, for hours without loss or injury of a British ship. He also instanced the insignificant results accomplished by submarines when the British lay for months in the Dardanelles. Mr. Balfour said that if submarines were allowed it would be necessary for navies to be increased by small craft to fight submarines. Admiral Dehon had said that such craft were obtainable from merchantmen and fishermen. Mr. Balfour asked where France and Italy were going to get these and pointed out that the most difficult problem of the war was the maintenance of sea communications. Towards developing the auxiliary craft to deal with submarines France contributed 257, Italy 283 and Britain 3676 ships. If the war had been fought without Britain what would have prevented an absolute blockade of the French coasts? He declared that no country in Europe but Britain would be able to tackle the submarine peril therefore it must not be supposed that Britain would suffer most or even have her security imperilled by future submarineism.

AMERICA'S PROPOSALS DECLINED.

WASHINGTON, December 24.

The American programme for the limitation of submarines was presented to the naval committee today. It proposes 60,000 tons each for Britain and America and the existing tonnage for Japan, France and Italy.

LATER.

Italy and Japan have declined to accept the submarine tonnage figures proposed by the American programme under which the existing tonnages of Britain and the United States are each cut by approximately one third leaving France with 42,000, Japan with 32,000 and Italy with 22,000.

BRITAIN AND J. PAN.

CHINA ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S COMPLAINTS.

LONDON, December 24.

Mr. F. Anderson president of the China Association, addressing the Japanese Mission on British and Japanese interests in the Far East pointed out that Japan's great natural advantages regarding Chinese trade could not be wrested from her. There was all the better reason therefore why she should return Shantung which would evoke China's goodwill and would also have the advantage of enabling the establishment of a stable central government in China. He voiced a complaint against the high preferential duties imposed by Japan in Korea which curtailed Britain's former big trade. He also complained as regards trade marks registered by the British in China and then by Japanese in Japan. Mr. Kadono in replying hoped that the mission would be able to do something regarding the last mentioned complaint but expressed doubt as regards the proposal of a customs tariff in Korea. Mr. D. H. L. spoke.

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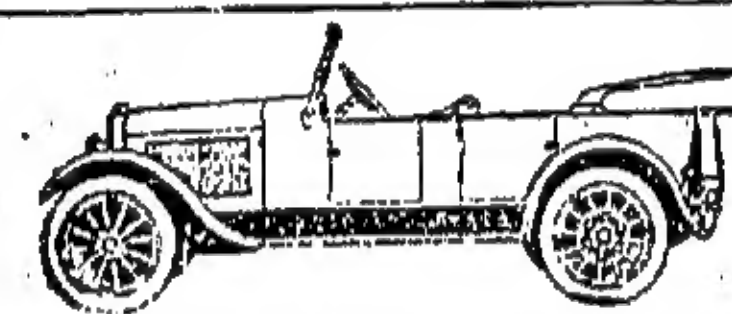
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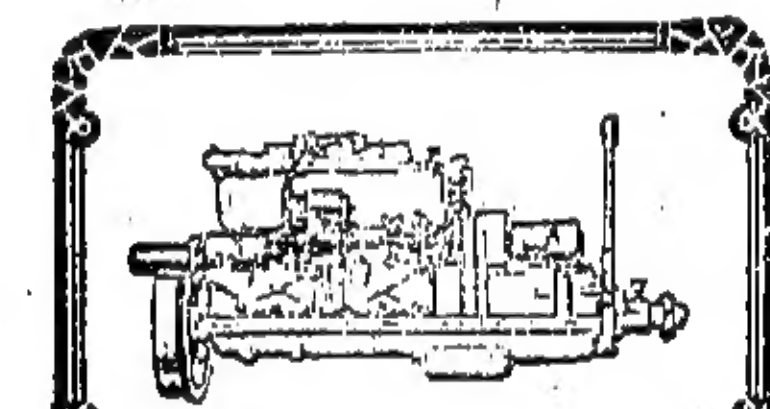
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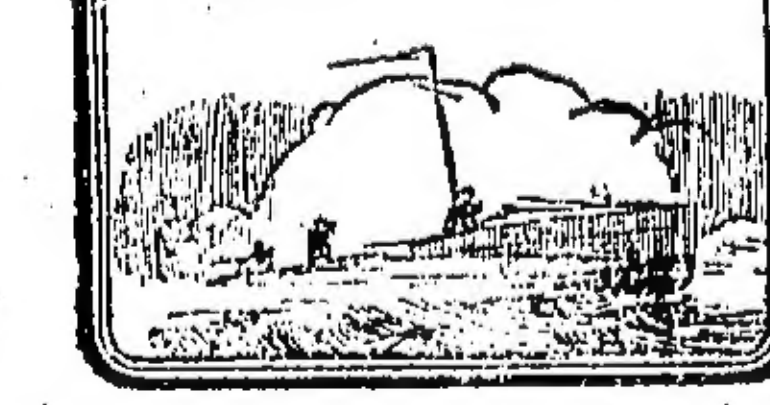
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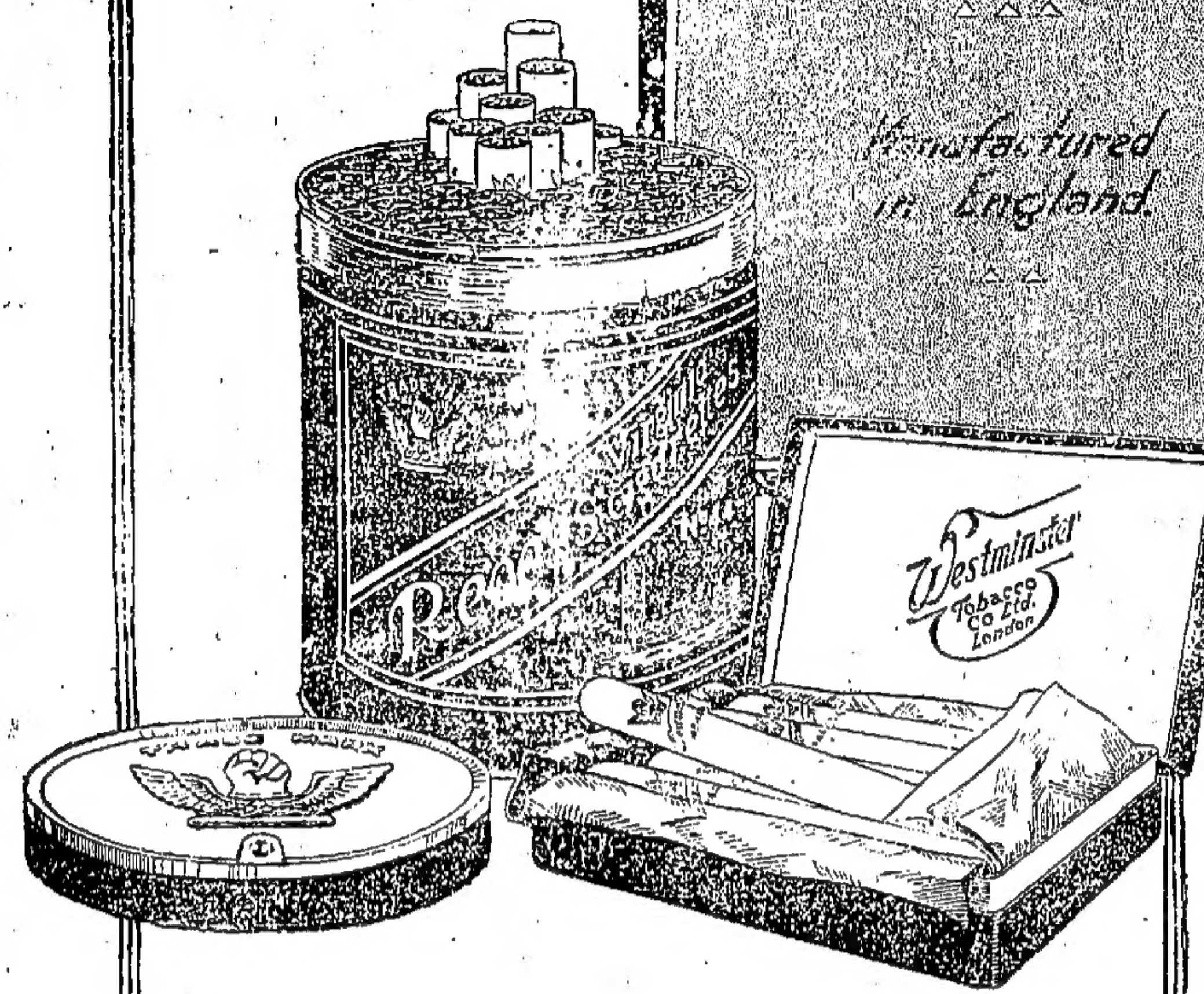
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 of some 10,000 cases of this kind
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 centration hospital for bad facial
 injuries, the Queen's Hospital at
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 gence of opinion between the Home
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 trolling the sale of dangerous drugs,
 and medical men and chemists as to
 the extent to which the unrestricted
 sale of chlorodyne, containing mor-
 phine, makes drug addicts.

"As chlorodyne contains less than
 2 per cent. of morphine it does not
 come under the Dangerous Drugs Act
 of 1920," the official in charge of the
 Dangerous Drugs Department of the
 Home Office told a *Daily Mail* re-
 porter. The reporter had called in
 reference to the letter, published in
 the newspaper in which a
 victim of chlorodyne implored that
 this preparation should not be sold
 indiscriminately.

"The amount of morphine," con-
 tinued the official, "that is contained
 in chlorodyne certainly would not
 incite the drug habit in unsuspect-
 ing invalids, and is not enough to ap-
 peal to victims of the morphine habit.
 Adequate medical opinion was taken
 by the Home Office before it drafted
 the Dangerous Drugs Act."

Dr. Alfred Cox, Medical Secretary
 of the British Medical Association,
 however, concurred entirely with
The Daily Mail in the view it takes
 after exhaustive investigation, of the
 danger of the unrestricted sale of
 chlorodyne.

"Of course it contains enough
 morphine to make it sought after
 on that account by morphine-
 takers," he said. "Every doctor
 knows lots of cases. Chlorodyne-
 takers reach a point where they will
 do anything, steal other people's
 property or pawn their own, in order
 to get money with which to buy more
 of the stuff."

"But if you get a law stopping the
 unrestricted sale of chlorodyne the
 maker can change the name and go
 on selling the stuff and if the unre-
 stricted sale of morphine in less than
 2 per cent. quantities were prevented it
 would stop the unrestricted sale of a
 number of excellent enough mixtures
 and of medicines which are not
 manures, as they contain such propor-
 tions of other drugs that to drink
 much of them would make the
 patient sick."

"The very wide publicity, however,
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RAPP.—On December 24th to Mr. and Mrs. H. Rapp, a son.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DEC. 27, 1921.

RAILLESS TRAMS.

Has the reader ever thought of the possibility of railless electric trams? We confess that such a simple idea did not occur to us. It was not until we read in the *Far Eastern Review* descriptions of these vehicles actually designed for use in Shanghai that the idea reached us. The very same problems that introduced railless trams to Shanghai are here in Hongkong too, and we moot with a little enthusiasm the suggestion that our Government and our street car company might do very well to consider this method of extending our system of rapid and cheap transit. Shanghai has tried them and found them advantageous and has ordered more. Mr. Donald McCall, the general manager of the Shanghai Electric and Construction Co. says they have had a railless electric route in operation for nearly six years! That, he says, is a year more than the life of motor omnibuses as computed by the London Bus Co. For roads which are too narrow for double track trams and with traffic requiring more frequent service, than could be run on single track trams, the railless electric system is the most suitable. Railless cars have the

necessary flexibility to thread their way through traffic which would hold up cars confined to rails. You see the idea? These buses are driven by overhead power just as the trams are, but they can serpentine or meander as circumstances may require in a narrow road. We shall now expect to see private motor-cars discarding their internal combustion, and setting up light towers, to tap power laid overhead all along such routes as the Repulse Bay road. Why not? Meanwhile the idea for buses, running regular services to suit suburban dwellers, and to open up new suburban residential areas, seems much better than any motor bus service. The evidence is handy at Shanghai—it is not a wild theory but a tested fact—and if it is conceded, as it is, that we do need extensions of such service then it looks as if this method deserves first examination. Compared with the cost of track, laying, the installation of the overhead power wire is a bagatelle. It is very strange that no one seems to have suggested this way out for Hongkong before, when Shanghai has had it so long.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Ladies are requested to send in their names and addresses for free inclusion in the Dollar Directory.

One British (imported) case of small pox and one Chinese case of diphtheria were reported during the 24 hours ended on December 23.

All firms clubs, etc., who have not yet returned particulars for insertion in the Dollar Directory are requested to do so immediately. Particulars of new firms, etc., will be gladly received for free inclusion in the Directory.

SPORT.

CRICKET.

CRAIGENGOWER v. H.K.C.C. "A."

These two teams played a two days match on the Craigengower ground, starting at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, and continuing the whole of yesterday. Some good cricket was witnessed, and when the first innings closed on Saturday, Craigengower led by 54 runs. There was a good attendance of spectators at yesterday's resumption of the game, including many ladies. The visitors made a better stand and put up the respectable score of 157 for their second innings. Craigengower was able to reply only with 116, but on the total for the two innings, they won the match by the narrow margin of 13 runs. An excellent tiffin and tea was served in the Club pavilion, and in the evening, after the match, dancing was indulged in to the music supplied by a Filipino Jazz Band. Everyone had an enjoyable time.

Scores:

HONGKONG 1ST INNINGS.				
H. H. Benson, c Omar, b Abbas...	9			
N. L. Hammond, b Paice...	28			
F. Sutton, b Omar...	28			
G. W. Sewell, c Fattydad, b Abbas...	10			
L. D. McNicol, b Omar...	4			
W. J. Hope, c and b Omar...	19			
A. S. Excell, b Omar...	0			
W. Fraser, run out...	5			
A. J. Palmer, c Wilson, b Abbas...	13			
J. R. Way, b Omar...	0			
A. F. Stubbs, not out...	0			
Extras...	12			
Total...	100			

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Abbas...	11	2	37
Paice...	5	0	30
Omar...	7	1	9
Y. Abbas...	2	0	12

CRAIGENGOWER 1ST INNINGS.

S. Jex, b Hope...	43
P. Wilson, b Hammond...	9
Bradbury, b Hope...	20
M. H. Abbas, b Hope...	15
D. Marsh, c Benson, b Hope...	13
A. A. Fattydad, c Stubbs, b Excell...	2
A. Paice, b Hope...	4
C. G. Anderson, c Benson, b McNicol...	7
Y. Abbas, c Hammond, b McNicol...	9
D. K. Kharas, not out...	4
N. M. Omar, c Excell, b McNicol...	4
Extras...	24
Total...	154

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Hammond...	8	0	62
Hope...	16	5	40
Excell...	6	0	20
McNicol...	2	0	8

HONGKONG 2ND INNINGS.

W. Fraser, hit wicket, b Omar...	31
G. W. Sewell, b M. H. Abbas...	12
H. H. Benson, not out...	65
F. Sutton, b Y. Abbas...	2
H. L. Hammond, c Paice, b Y. Abbas...	8
L. D. McNicol, st. Jex, b Bradbury...	17
A. J. Palmer, b Omar...	7
J. R. Way, b Omar...	0
A. T. Stubbs, b Bradbury...	4
Extras...	11
Total...	167

Hope and Excell did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
M. H. Abbas...	15	1	43
A. Paice...	5	0	26
U. Omar...	13	4	26
Y. Abbas...	8	0	29
D. Marsh...	3	0	10
B. W. Bradbury...	5	1	13

CRAIGENGOWER 2ND INNINGS.

B. W. Bradbury, b Hammond...	4
S. Jex, b Hammond...	0
U. Omar, b Hammond...	0
Y. Abbas, c Benson, b Way...	3
P. Wilson, b Hammond...	4
M. H. Abbas, c Sewell, b Sutton...	40
A. Paice, st. Sutton...	35
A. Fattydad, c Fraser, b Sutton...	12
D. Marsh, st. Sutton...	6
Rock, not out...	6
D. K. Kharas, lbw. Fraser...	0
Extras...	6
Total...	116

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
H. L. Hammond...	10	1	44
J. R. Way...	6	1	24
F. Sutton...	5	0	42

H.K.C.C. v. WILTS.

This match was played on the Club ground on Saturday. The Wilts batted first and compiled 116, of which Beaven with 39 and Holdman 29 were the highest contributors. The Club players made things hot for the Wilts bowlers and scoring 153, they won comfortably. Paice was the highest scorer with 51. Mitchell 29 and Hancock 28, also did well. Mr. "Extra" was responsible for 15.

Scores:

WILTS.				
Lt. Col. Wyndham, b Young...	6			
Lt. Beaven, c McNaghten, b Farthing...	39			
Farthing...	10			
Pte. Brown, b Farthing...	5			
Lieut. McDonald, b Farthing...	2			
Major Calver, b Farthing...	3			
Lt. Cpl. Parton, b Lammert...	0			
Capt. Bleckly, b Lammert...	0			
Sgt. Holdman, not out...	29			
Lieut. Daddington, c Raworth, b Lammert...	4			
Lammert...	9			
Pte. Watts, b Farthing...	8			
Extras...	8			
Total...	115			

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Farthing...	18.4	5	56
Young...	7	2	25
Lammert...	11	4	26

H.K.C.C.

T. E. Pearce, c Macdonald, b Brown...	51
E. J. R. Mitchell, c Blakely, b Parton...	29
A. B. Raworth, b McDonald...	1
Capt. Davies, b Parton...	1
B. Crawford Morgan, b Parton...	1
Brig. Gen. Macnaghten, lbw. b McDonald...	1
F. H. Farthing, b Brown...	13
R. H. Hancock, not out...	28
E. G. Lammert, lbw. b Brown...	2
R. N. Young, c Holdman, b Brown...	0
L. N. Davies, c Macdonald, b Brown...	0
Extras...	15
Total...	153

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Lt. McDonald...	13	0	58
Major Wallis...	3	0	13
Lt. Cpl. Parton...	8	1	35
Brown...	5	1	17
Watts...	3	0	13

R.A.M.C. v. K.C.C. 2nd.

Played on the Kowloon ground on Saturday, this match resulted in a win for the home team by 28 runs. Batting first, the Medicos were all out for 106. Hollands and Rhodes played steady cricket and contributed useful 35 and 20 respectively. The Clubmen were also unable to put up a high score, and their innings yielded 134. Thompson with 39, was the only man to make a long stand.

Scores:

R.A.M.C.				
Sgt. Hollands, c Hodge, b Brawn...	35			
Capt. Rhodes, c and b Spinks...	20			
Capt. Enright, lbw. Brawn...	0			
Capt. Tomory, b Jones...	18			
Major Tomlinson, c Hodge, b Spinks...	0			
Cpl. Sayage, lbw. Brawn...	13			
Cpl. Store, b Jones...	4			
S. M. Thompson, c and b Jones...	0			
Pte. West, not out...	0			
Sgt. Rozens, b Brawn...	5			
Wilkeson, b Jones...	5			
Extras...	0			
Total...	106			

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
S. J. Jones...	6	0	48
Spinks...	8	1	32
Brawn...	8	0	26

K.C.C. 2ND.

L. J. Blackburn, b Hollands...	4
F. G. Thompson, c Tomlinson, b Hollands...	39
F. E. Lawrence, b Rhodes...	4
S. J. Jones, c Spoon, b Rhodes...	17
L. E. S. Hodge, c Rhodes, b Hollands...	15
R. E. Lindell, run out...	1
E. J. Edwards, b Hollands...	7
E. W. Alderson, c Thompson, b Hollands...	0
E. F. Spinks, run out...	14
A. O. Brawn, b Rhodes...	16
A. Leach, not out...	0
Extras...	17
Total...	134

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Hollands...	17	4	48
Rhodes...	12	1	44
Savage...	4	0	25

HON. MR. SEVERN'S XI v. NAVY.

On the Civil Service ground on Saturday, the Hon. Mr. Severn fielded a strong side against the Navy XI, and inflicted a heavy defeat on their visitors by four wickets and 88 runs. The Navy batted first, but could do little against the formidable bowlers and were all disposed of for 115, of which Rev. Purcell's 32 was the best. Mr. Severn's players punished the Navy bowlers severely and when stumps were drawn their innings was unfinished at 203. Redmond, Sayer and Fincher played pre-ty cricket and contributed 60, 53 and 47 respectively.

Scores:

NAVY.				
Lt. Com. Gilchrist, b Red...	1			
Lt. Com. Douglas-Hamilton, run out...	9			
Mid. Sparks, c Redmond, b Eng...	11			
Rev. Purcell, b Hamilton...	32			
Surg. Lt. Cpl. Ballow, b Ling...	1			
Lt. Skinner, c Strango, b Hamilton...	10			

Mr. Kennett, c Woods, b Hamilton...	7
Lt. Com. Drew, st. Pansony...	17
Fane, b Edmonds...	12
Lt. Forbes, b Reed...	12
Surg. Com. Lindop, c de Rome, b Reed...	7
Edmonds...	0
Pay-Lt. Pearce, c Hamilton, b Edmonds...	0
Commodore Bowden-Smith, not out...	0
Extras...	0
Total...	115

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
E. B. Reed...	13.2	5	17
F. J. Ling...	7	1	21
E. W. Hamilton...	10	2	27
Hon. C. Severn...	4	0	15
G. R. Sayer...	3	0	16
W. H. Edmonds...	3	0	11

HON. CLAUD SEVERN'S XI.

G. R. Sayer, b Kennett...	53
F. de Rome, c Lindop, b Forbes...	19
A. E. Wood, b Drew...	5
F. A. Redmond, c Sparks, b Skinner...	56
E. Fincher, not out...	47
F. J. Ling, c Lindop, b Skinner...	1
E. W. Hamilton, c Lindop, b Skinner...	0
F. E. Strange, c Kennett, b Skinner...	15
Extras...	7
Total (for 7 wks., dec.)...	203

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Mr. Kennett...	13	2	84
Lt. Forbes...	7	1	24
Lt. Com. Drew...	7	0	42
Mid. Sparks...	4	0	21
Lt. Skinner...	3.3	0	17

K.C.C. v. NAVY.

This game was played at Kowloon yesterday. The home team put up a formidable total of 242. The Navy could do nothing with the Club's bowling, and closed their first innings for the low score of 62. They were allowed to go in again, and although they made a better showing, they were unable to score only 95. The Club won by an innings and 95 runs. Stalker bowled in excellent form and performed the hat-trick. Stapleton and Braga were the Club's best batsmen and contributed 75 and 67 respectively. Blackburn helped a good deal with a useful 29. There were 32 extras. For the Navy, Stewart was the best batsman in the first innings, and scored 18. Sparks topped the batting list in the second innings with 22.

Scores:

K.C.C. 1ST INNINGS.				
J. P. Robinson, b Beatty...	7			
C. L. Stapleton, c Crole-Rees, b Drew...	75			
Drew...	0			
F. E. Lawrence, b Beatty...	0			
F. G. Thompson, c and b Beatty...	6			
E. L. Braga, c Coombe, b Beatty...	67			
L. J. Blackburn, c Coombe, b Beatty...	29			
S. T. Jones, c Crole-Rees, b Beatty...	1			
C. Russell, st. Drew, b Haytor...	8			
E. F. Spinks, b Haytor...	10			
J. Stalker, not out...	2			
H. Overy, c sub, b Haytor...	5			
Extras...	32			
Total...	242			

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
Lieut. Beatty...	20	0	57
Mid. Haytor...	8.1	0	24
Rev. Crole-Rees...	9	0	47
Surg. Lieut. Morrison...	4	0	22
Lieut. Stevens...	2	0	15
Lieut. Coombe...	2	0	27
Lieut. Com. Greig...	2	0	20

NAVY 1ST INNINGS.

Lieut. Comd. Jotham, b Russell...	11
Lieut. Stevens, b Russell...	9
Lieut. Stewart, c Robinson, b Russell...	18
Rev. Crole-Rees, b Russell...	3
Lieut. Comd. Greig, b Russell...	6
Mid. Sparks, c and b Stalker...	0
Mid. Haytor, c and b Russell...	0
Lieut. Comd. Drew, b Stalker...	0
Lieut. Coombe, c Robinson, b Stalker...	0
Stalker, not out...	40
Lieut. Beatty, not out...	40
Surg. Lieut. Morrison, c and b Stalker...	1
Extras...	4
Total...	52

Bowling Analysis.

O.	M.	R.	W.
J. Stalker...	21.1	2	23
C. Russell...	12	5	25

NAVY 2ND INNINGS.

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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Kruiter's Services to the China Mail)

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE

M. LERTHELOT OFFERS RESIGNATION.

"OWING TO ABOMINABLE CALUMNIES."

PARIS, December 26

M. Philippe Berthelot, secretary general in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, has sent a letter to M. Briand tendering his resignation for the third time irrevocably owing to "abominable calumnies" to which he has been subjected in connection with the failure of the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

In his letter he says that continual attacks made on him during the past year owing to the failure of the bank whereof his brother was one of the heads cause him to fear that he no longer possesses, in the face of foreigners against whom he has to defend the interests of France daily, the necessary authority to continue to serve his state well. He was reproached by the Chamber on December 24 with acts which were non-existent and distorted but the telegram he sent to the financial agent in New York although fully justified in substance, similarly those sent to the Far East and London at the request of the consortium formed by the previous government, ought to have been submitted to M. Briand. The thought that one of his acts might with some show of reason be reproached to him rendered his decision irrevocable.

BRIAND'S ANNOUNCEMENTS CAUSE SATISFACTION.

PARIS, December 26.

M. Briand's declarations that China's agreement had been sought and obtained respecting the balance of the Boxer Indemnity being used for refloating the Banque Industrielle and that a Bill to that effect will be submitted to the French parliament this week are eliciting considerable satisfaction in political and business circles who never doubted that M. Briand's government, despite enormous difficulties, would do the right thing at the right moment.—Havas.

THE SUBMARINE QUESTION.

BRITISH ATTITUDE DEFINED.

SOME QUERIES FOR FRANCE.

WASHINGTON, December 26.

The British delegation's attitude in regard to submarines was expressed by Mr. Balfour at a meeting of the Naval Committee on December 24 as follows:—"The use of submarines whilst of small value for defence purposes, leads inevitably to acts inconsistent with the laws of war and the dictates of humanity and the delegation desires united action should be taken by all nations to forbid their maintenance, construction or employment."

BALFOUR'S PERTINENT POINTS.

LATER.

At the meeting of the Naval Committee on December 24, M. Sarraut pointed out that there were no guarantees that countries unrepresented at the conference would conform to the decisions of the conference in regard to submarines. A conference of all countries interested in submarines might decide the question of retention or abolition of submarines. Mr. Balfour, replying emphasised that submarines were offensive and not defensive weapons and would be unable in anywise to assist France if she were threatened by Germany reviving her army and creating a submarine force. France in that event must depend on the help of the British anti-submarine craft. How was that consistent with France's building a huge mass of submarines which anybody looking at the matter from a strategic and tactical viewpoint would certainly say, from her very geographical situation, was built against Britain.

The military policy announced by M. Briand was inconsistent with the naval policy announced by Admiral Debon. He knew no satisfactory answer to the question in regard to the purpose of the proposed French submarine fleet. The conference could not legislate for the world but the unanimous opinion of the conference that submarines were not a war weapon consistent with civilisation would prelude their ultimate abolition.

PLANS FOR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE.

WASHINGTON, December 26.

As an outcome of the divergence of views revealed at the conference regarding the future use of submarines which, if uncontrolled, is likely to have repulsive effects in the direction of building anti-submarine craft steps are being informally discussed by the delegations with a view to convening an international conference thereon. Smaller nations which possess numbers of submarines will be invited and it is stated that plans to this end are well matured.

THE PRINCE'S TOUR.

BOXING DAY IN CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA, December 26.

On Monday, the Prince of Wales saw what Calcutta really can do in the way of producing a native crowd. The bank holiday spirit was unrestrained by any political boycott and the city poured its multitudes towards the racetrack. An unending procession of motors, gharries, tongas and tongas streamed through the tramping masses chiefly composed of Indians. Some congestion was caused near Maiden by a general halt to watch the Prince play polo but three hours before races were due to begin H.R.H. returned to Government House to receive the Maharajas Cooch, Behar and Manipur. The Prince lunched with the Governor of Assam aboard the yacht "Sonamukhee" anchored in the Hooghly afterwards landing at Outram Ghat and driving in state to the racetrack. He was greeted with a thunderous reception on his appearance in the royal box.

STARVING RUSSIA.

DR. NANSEN'S WARM APPEAL.

"BLACK LIES CONTRIVED BY HUMAN DEVILS."

CHRISTIANIA, December 26.

A warmly worded appeal for help has been issued by Dr. Nansen to several nations wherein he dwells upon the frightful sufferings of millions of Russians from hunger and cold. He declares the statements that help sent is consumed by the Soviet Government and the Red Army as black lies contrived by human devils for the sake of political intrigue. He declares that a flood of this lying is emanating from H. L. Ing and guarantees that all help sent to him and to the American organisation reaches the famine centres exclusively. He specially asks for breadcorn.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

1922 RACE MEETING.

The Hongkong Jockey Club has issued its programme for the 1922 meeting which is to begin at Happy Valley on Monday, February 20 and will last for four days. For the first day eleven races are set down. There will also be eleven events on the Tuesday, when the Hongkong Derby will be decided and a number of Cups, including the Governor's Cup, will be competed for. Eleven races are included in the Wednesday's programme and for the last day, Saturday February 25, there will be 10 events.

"TWIN SPIRITS."

DIVORCE AFTER THIRTY YEARS.

A woman who after many years of married life took up with a cinema musician, declaring that she had met her "twin spirit," was a party to undefended divorce proceedings brought against her by her husband, Mr. William Richard Stretton, a retired solicitor, now living at Wynberg, near Cape Town, South Africa. In his evidence, taken on affidavit, Mr. Stretton related how he married his wife, Ella Maud, as long ago as 1885, at the Hastings Registry Office. They lived at Hastings and West Hill, St. Leonards, and had two children. On March 13, 1915, while he was ill in bed, his wife came up to him and confessed she had guilty relations with the respondent, Alan Ardley, for the past six months. She then went and lived at Cornwallis crescent, Hastings, with Ardley. Later said the husband, he went and saw the man, who declared he "did not care a jot" for the woman, only for the £200 a year which she had.

When it was explained that the lady's income was very much smaller—in fact, only £10 a year—he promised to send her back home but did not. The co-respondent, concluded the affidavit, was a person who played the piano at a local picture palace. Mr. Cecil John Nicholls said that in March, 1916, when in the Army, he went and saw his father-in-law, Mr. Stretton, and then his mother-in-law, at Cornwallis crescent. When he tried to persuade her to leave the co-respondent and return home, she refused, saying that she loved Ardley best, that they "were twin spirits," and, pointing her finger to heaven, declared that "God had written that they should live together."

Afterwards, said witness, he saw his mother-in-law at Wellington square, and again unsuccessfully tried to persuade her to leave the co-respondent. She declined to do so averring that they loved each other dearly. A third similar effort to part the couple failed.

The Court pronounced a decree nisi.

DRAPER'S £200,000.

£700,000 WINDFALL FOR THE TREASURY.

The State will benefit by £700,000 as a result of the duty on the fortune of £1,917,819 left by Mr. Henry Greenwood Tetley, 17, Avenue-road, Regent's Park, N. W., chairman of Messrs. Courtaulds, Ltd., crepe and artificial silk manufacturers.

Mr. Tetley was known to be rich, but it was not generally believed, especially in view of the large sums which he had given away in recent years, that his fortune would have amounted to nearly £2,000,000. The will stated that provision had been made for his children both by gifts and by settlement. Regarding the £700,000 death duties, Mr. Tetley stated that in the event of any difficulty arising in providing enough liquid assets he desired that his trustees should not throw so large a block of his shares in Courtaulds, Ltd., on the market as would injuriously affect their price.

The public bequests are: Rotherfield Court. Henley-on-Thames, to the Officers' Association as a Home for Disabled Officers, with £1,000 free of duty to pay for anything in connection with the home that might have been overlooked.

One-fifth of the residue of his property (about £250,000) for charitable objects in the British Empire. Mr. George Courtaulds, Halstead, Essex, a director of the same company, who died last year, left £2,146,695.

Of recent years more than 20 of the millionaire estates alone have been left by members of the drapery and allied trades, the chief of which were those of Mr. Charles Morrison, who left £10,336,695. Other millionaires were those of Sir John Maple, Mr. Peter Robinson, Mr. Wm. Whiteley, and several members of the Coats family.

DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL.

THE BUILDING FUND.

The collections at St. John's Cathedral on Xmas Day, were on behalf of the Fund for the New Diocesan Boys' School. The Appeal Committee have already received or had promised a sum of \$39,000.00 for buildings and \$11,000.00 for endowment. In addition certain business houses are giving annual donations towards the new school instead of large capital sums. Thus the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank have promised \$1,000 for three years in the first instance and the Union Insurance Society of Canton have promised \$500 per annum. A Committee of twelve Chinese gentlemen is collecting subscriptions from the Chinese community. The estimated cost of essential buildings including the site formation is \$380,000. The estimated cost of equipment is \$70,000 which is being met by the use of old equipment and by an additional charge which each boarder and day boy now has to pay annually. The Endowment Fund will be met by annual donations of the nature mentioned above. \$389,000 is needed for buildings; of this sum—

The Government promises for the old site. \$204,865.00
An Educational Building Grant will amount to at least (i.e. half the estimated cost of Class-rooms) estimated. 80,000.00
Donations already given or promised for buildings. 40,000.00
\$324,865.00

Thus a sum of at least \$55,135.00 is still needed for buildings. In order to help the fund for the new school it was decided at a meeting of class representatives to start a Scholars' Brick Fund. \$2 will buy 50 bricks, \$1 will buy 100 bricks and \$100 will buy 5,000 bricks. The promise has been made that every boy collecting \$100 will have his name on a record board in the new school. Patrick White's effort is a good instance of what may be done by many small items. His \$105 was made up of no fewer than thirty separate donations. The total at term end stood at \$4,518. Class 3 headed the class list with \$1,165.

MARRIAGE SERVICE.

OUT-OF-DATE PRAYERBOOK.

A plea for the revision of the Book of Common Prayer was made by Bishop Welldon, the Dean of Durham, in the address to members of the Reading Room Society at Nottingham. He said that excellent as the liturgy of the Church of England is, it had never been modified since 1662.

It had remained immovable in a rapidly moving world of thought, and faith, and emotion and conviction. He did not think that a Book of Common Prayer dating back more than 250 years could be expected to satisfy the present age.

In a day when parishes of 15,000 to 20,000 souls were not extraordinary phenomena, the Prayer-Book, so far as it took for granted the personal acquaintance of every clergyman with everyone of his parishioners, had become and must remain impracticable in modern life.

With regard to the Order for the Burial of the Dead, he would wish to modify the unnatural expression, "We give hearty thanks that our brother or sister has delivered this sinful world," and to add a prayer for the soul of the departed and also a prayer for the mourners.

He wished that the Church would allow, under due episcopal sanction, the introduction of extempore prayers in divine worship. He could not refrain from throwing out the suggestion that a good deal of the language of the Book of Common Prayer sounded a little artificial upon the lips of worshippers to-day.

DISTRESSED BRIDES.

The preface to the marriage service was painfully distressing to many bridegrooms and brides. Why should they be told that holy matrimony was "not to be taken in hand unduly, lightly or wantonly, to satisfy men's carnal lusts and appetites like brute beasts that have no understanding." Our forefathers might have spoken so but who would speak so to-day?

The Prayer-Book contained too many prayers for the King and these prayers were couched at times in such language as wholly misrepresented the present relation of the King to his people. If there were too many prayers for the King, there were too few for the people. We were living in a democratic age, and it was essential to pray for the wisdom, justice, truth, and righteousness of the people.

HONGKONG'S CHRISTMAS.

HOW IT WAS SPENT.

GLORIOUS WEATHER HELPS.

If Christmas Day 1921 did not prove to be truly "the happiest day of all the year" then it certainly was not the fault of the weather. Hongkong awoke on Sunday to a gloriously fresh, sunshiny morning—such weather as seemed just to fit in with the joyous, light hearted spirit of Yuletide that was everywhere abroad.

For a good many people church-going took pride of place on the day's programme and crowded Christmas services were held at the various places of worship. H.E. the Governor was present, and a large congregation at St. John's Cathedral in the morning when the preacher was the Bishop of Victoria who examined the reasons why the great Christian festival had survived so many centuries and put it down to the deep significance underlying the familiar Christmas text "Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given." It was, he thought, because God had sent his Son to be one of us to share our human experiences.

There were big houses at the kinemas on Xmas Day and again yesterday and for those who preferred to be outdoors there was an unusually full list of attractive sporting fixtures—cricket, football and golf. On Boxing night there was a fancy dress dinner dansant in the sumptuous grill of the Hongkong Hotel. It was carried through with the same brilliancy that characterises every function in which the Hongkong Hotel folk have a hand.

The little folk, of course were not forgotten. Amongst several happy little gatherings arranged for them was the annual Christmas tree at the Civil Service Club yesterday afternoon. Crowds of happy youngsters thronged the Club grounds, took part in games and lined up for their gifts from the Club Santa Claus. The band of the H.M.S. "Hawkins" furnished an agreeable musical programme and tea was served on the lawn. Children, grown ups and all had a thoroughly enjoyable time. At the World Theatre during Saturday and Sunday the management gladdened the hearts of the crowds of youngsters who attended by presenting each of them with a special Xmas toy.

To-day most of the city offices still remained closed and the full routine of business will not be resumed until to-morrow. Sporting fixtures were in full swing again and all had a big following of spectators. For to-night, besides the picture programmes, there is a special evening dress dance over at the Kowloon Theatre.

SUMMARY OF AUCTIONS.

FORTHCOMING SALES.

December 28.—Hughes and Hough Furniture, carpets, crockery etc., Sales Rooms 12.30 p.m. Crown Land, at P.W.D. Offices, 3 p.m.

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January 6.—Hughes and Hough: Government stores (Gunmetal, old brass and steel etc.), R.A.O.S. Depot, Queen's Road East, 10 a.m.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

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8.—B. F.	Helenus.
14.—B. F.	Gregory Apar.
16.—B. F.	Tuener.
19.—B. F.	Purpurus.
20.—P. & O.	Cyclops.
30.—B. F.	Tuener.
Feb. 13.—B. F.	Calebas.
13.—B. F.	Filipino.
14.—P. & O.	Nagoya.
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IS ULSTER LOYAL?

ALLEGATIONS v. FACTS.

REPLY TO "NEW STATESMAN."

The following reply to the criticisms of Ulster's loyalty in the "New Statesman" (reproduced in the *China Mail*) has appeared in the *Belfast Weekly News* over the signature of Ulster Scot:—

In its issue of August 27 the *China Mail*, published in Hongkong, reproduces in its editorial columns a bitter and vindictive attack on the Loyalties of Ulster from the columns of the *New Statesman*. I should have fancied that the reputation of the *New Statesman* should have been sufficiently well known, even in China, to keep any paper from giving currency to its falsehoods, especially as it offered not the slightest evidence in support of them. Here are the "facts" about Ulster as they were reproduced in the *China Mail*, and I hope the editor of that paper will extend the same courtesy to the answer given below:—"Ulster has displayed plenty of determination not to be governed by the Irish, but never the smallest symptom of loyalty to anybody or anything but herself and her religion. Before the war it was the Ulstermen who got arms from Germany, and who talked of repudiating their allegiance to the British Crown. During the war Ulster did just about as little as she could, and that 'on terms'—compare the recruiting statistics of Belfast and far-away Melbourne. And, lastly, loyal Ulster was the only place in the British Empire where the King's appeal found no echo in the hearts of his subjects. On the very day of the Irish truce fifty houses inhabited by Nationalists in Belfast were burned down by an Orange mob."

Two of the assertions in this extract are plain and palpable lies. Ulster Loyalties never threatened to repudiate their allegiance to the British Crown, they organised their Volunteers to resist being forced out of their allegiance to the Crown and their citizenship of the United Kingdom by a Radical Government and the votes of the Nationalist Party in Parliament, whose successors are the Sinn Fein Party. Nor did an Orange mob burn down fifty houses on the day of the Irish truce. As to the loyalty of Ulster and her work during the war, the following facts will speak for themselves:—Ulster, with one third of the population of Ireland, gave 75,000 recruits to the Army, as compared with 65,000 (many of them Unionists) from the other three Provinces. Thousands more were prevented from enlisting because they were engaged on urgent war work, the shipyards were busy night and day on Government ships, and 95 per cent. of all the aeroplane cloth used by the Allies was made in Ulster. Over £1,000,000 was raised for war charities, and Ulster equipped and maintained the largest voluntary war hospital in Ireland, while the finest Soldiers' and Sailors' Club outside London was to be found in Belfast. War work took precedence of everything else, and from the first shot that was fired until the Armistice was signed not one single strike took place in Ulster. Can the

New Statesman writer point to any similar area in the United Kingdom that can show an equal record. Belfast alone, with a population of 390,000, gave 46,000 men to the Army, while some 80,000 were engaged in absolutely essential war work. The work carried out by Messrs. Harland & Wolff is known the world over, while during the war Messrs. Workman & Clark dealt with no less than 1,350 ships. All these facts were, or should have been, known to the writer in the *New Statesman* but apparently his idea of loyalty is rebellion or submission to rebels. As to his allegation that Ulster only served "on terms," that is an absolute lie.

This gentleman failed to give us the Sinn Fein record of loyalty, but I can partly supply the omission. The world knows the Sinn Fein record during the war—the rebellion of 1916, the alliance with Germany, and the constant and bitter hostility to the Allies. From 1st January, 1919, to 7th May, 1921, that organisation has the following to its credit:—Courthouses destroyed, 75; vacated R.I.C. barracks destroyed, 561; occupied R.I.C. barracks destroyed, 45; R.I.C. barracks damaged, 185; raids on mails, 1734; raids on rate collectors and petty sessions clerks, 102; raids on coastguard stations and light-houses, 58; raids for arms, 3,138; policemen killed, 309; soldiers killed, 102; civilians killed, 124; policemen wounded, 491; soldiers wounded, 238; civilians wounded, 159. If we add to these figures the 120 military and police killed and the 383 wounded during the 1916 rebellion we get something of Sinn Fein's record, though figures give no idea of the ghastly cruelties perpetrated on its victims. A moment's comparison of the records presented here will show the *New Statesman's* ideals of loyalty, and they are hardly such as will commend themselves to the average Briton. Remember, Ulster asks for nothing but to be allowed to live in peace. She is quite willing that the South and West of Ireland shall have whatever form of Government they prefer, and her only crime is that she refuses to be ruled by Sinn Fein. We are content to set the *New Statesman's* description of the Ulster Loyalties as "the narrowest and most spitefully bigoted sectarian who exist" side by side with his Majesty's appreciation of the Ulster people in his telegram to the Ulster Unionist Council on 15th November, 1918:—"I deeply appreciate the congratulations of my loyal Ulster subjects which you have transmitted to me. In these days of rejoicing I recall the deeds of the 36th (Ulster) Division, which have more than fulfilled the high opinion formed by me on inspecting that Force on the eve of its departure for the Front. Throughout the long years of struggle, which have now so gloriously ended, the men of Ulster have proved how nobly they fight and die."

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Cargo from s.s. "Indian" not cleared by Dec. 27 will be subject to rent. Damaged cargo will be examined the same day at 10 a.m. Agents—Manners & Backhouse, Ltd.

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CHRISTMAS DAY.

AT THE CORONET.

Ordinarily, December 25 turns out to be distinctly an "off" day in the picture show business. There are so many counter attractions in the shape of family foregatherings and Christmas parties that the cinema is left usually to become the refuge of those unfortunates who find themselves at the festive season in the position of having to make the most of their own company. The circumstance that the Coronet Theatre was crowded at all sessions on Sunday would seem to be rather a striking tribute to the management's sound judgment in selecting a picture like "The Last of the Mohicans" for their Christmas Day feature. It was an attraction of such magnitude that in the face of it the old fashioned tradition of spending Christmas Day around the family hearth for once went, in some cases at any rate, by the board. Just as Fenimore Cooper's story of Uncas, the Mohican prince without a kingdom, is remembered from boyhood as a tale of tales, so Maurice Tourneur's film version of it stands out as a classic among photoplays.

A companion star to "The Last of the Mohicans" glowed out in the Coronet firmament yesterday. It was "The Leopard Woman" a magnificently staged picture wherein intrigue rubs shoulders with fearless courage and love and passion with hate and evil cunning. It is the sort of picture which, when you have seen it through, you would like to have it screened for you all over again. Both films are from the studios of Associated Producers and are to be shown at the Coronet during the next few days in accordance with the special time table advertised. Nazi-movs in "The Brat" will furnish the Coronet's New Year attraction.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.

There has been some enquiry for dyed goods and sales are mentioned of Figured Poplins and Cashmeres. No transactions are reported in Grey and White Shirtings.

Cotton Yarn.—Demand has ruled slack and the volume of business transacted has been small. Values in many instances receded about \$2/3 per bale.

Quotations are:—No. 10s \$158/194. No. 12s \$178/204. No. 16s \$195/225. No. 20s \$205/225.

Arrivals 9,000 bales. Sales 2,000 bales. Shipments nil.

Unsold Stock 3,000 bales. Bargains 8,000 bales.

Woolens.—The market is exceedingly quiet. No sales are reported and clearances are very poor.

Raw Cottons.—Values are nominally unaltered as follows:—Indian qualities at \$23/30. Chinese qualities at \$23/36 per picul.

Metals.—Business extremely quiet with no enquiry. Offtake to the consuming districts during the last few weeks has been very poor, and stocks are accumulating. Local prices are inclined to sag.

Petroleum products.—No change. Sundries: Window Glass.—Market quietly steady.

Sugar.—Market quiet. Saltpetre.—Stock 3,500 Bags. Market steady.

Flour Market Report.—Stock: About 940,000 sacks. Quotations:—American Patent \$3.80 per sack.

American Straight \$2.90 per sack. American Cut off \$2.95 per sack.

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YESTERDAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

THE TROUBLE IN EGYPT.

STUDENTS CAUSING TROUBLE

MILITARY TAKING PREVENTIVE MEASURES.

CAIRO, December 24.

British troops are proceeding to the suburb of Giza where a mob is attacking the Government offices; otherwise Cairo appears to be quiet. Troops have also been despatched to Tanta which is unsettled.

MINOR DISTURBANCES AMONG NATIVES.

CAIRO, December 25.

An order issued under martial law notifies the public that disorders, rioting and destruction of property will be rigorously repressed by the military who are ordered to shoot when necessary. Five of the arrested Zaghlulis were taken to Suez, the remaining three saving themselves by complying with Lord Allenby's orders and remaining in Egypt. The European quarter is perfectly quiet this morning but there were minor disturbances in the native quarters with which the military are effectively dealing. A number of arrests were made and there were twelve dead up till last night, all being natives except one. Apparently the military have hitherto had no casualties.

It is reported from Port Said that mobs broke through a police cordon and penetrated the European quarter. The British military intervened quickly and restored order. It is understood that the military have taken over control. The fact that telegraphs, telephones and railways are working normally indicates a favourable situation in the provinces.

INCIDENT AT GIZA.

CAIRO, December 24.

Details of the Giza incident show that students raided the survey offices and in the course of their ejection 5 natives were killed and 20 injured. Six Zaghlulis whose expulsion was ordered to-day were conveyed by motorcar to Suez.

Most of the schools are idle and students are endeavouring to make the government officials strike; many have done so. The military frustrated attempts by the students to set fire to Government property.

"LONG LIVE ZAGHLUL."

ALEXANDRIA, December 24.

Leaflets inciting insurrection have been distributed in the mosques including "Long Live Zaghlul."

EXCITEMENT IN ALEXANDRIA.

ALEXANDRIA, December 25.

There is considerable excitement here. All day long the police are patrolling the town in armoured cars. They frustrated attempts to hold demonstrations. The Government officials have decided to strike on December 26 and 28. The cruiser "Jeres" has arrived.

FRANCE AND BRITAIN.

BRIAND SATISFIED WITH LONDON PARLEY.

PARIS, December 24.

In an interview with the *Echo de Paris* M. Briand expressed himself as being well satisfied with the results of the London conference which materially helped in clearing the international sky. The necessary discretion of all parties concerned must not be construed unfavourably.

Mr. Lloyd George is expected at Cannes on Monday and the Chancellor of the Exchequer will arrive on Monday in Paris for an important financial meeting.—Havas.

ENTENTE "COMPLETE AND CONSOLIDATED."

PARIS, December 25.

In the Chamber M. Briand replying to a questioner emphatically said that the Franco-British entente was as complete and as consolidated as possible. He declared that there was no question of revising the Versailles treaty or of recasting the conditions of payment of reparations at the forthcoming conference. He declared also that Mr. Lloyd George never thought of impairing French interests.

INDIANS IN AFRICA.

POLITICAL REPRESENTATION IN EGYPT.

NAIROBI, December 24.

Acting on the advice of the Indian Government the Indians here have decided to accept temporarily the political representation recently offered them by the Governor, namely four seats in the Legislative council and one on the executive.

FAMINE RELIEF FOR RUSSIA.

WARSAW, December 24.

The government is sending 15,000 tons of wheat and flour to the Russian famine sufferers.

ANOTHER INTERNATIONAL SITUATION?

LIMA, December 24.

Peru has sent another note to Chile reiterating her request to refer the Tacna Arica dispute to arbitration by the United States and accusing Chile of violating the treaty of Ancon.

PEKING'S NEW PREMIER.

PEKING, December 26.

Liang Shih-yi has been appointed Premier.

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